NEWS ADVISORY

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West Valley City – Taylorsville Animal Services to Hold Open House

WHAT: Animal Services Open House and Question / Answer Forum

WHEN: Thursday, February 2, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
             Shelter tour beginning at 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: West Valley City - Taylorsville Animal Services Building Community Room
             4522 West 3500 South

WHO: This meeting is open to the public. The following will be in attendance to answer questions:

             Wayne Pyle, City Manager
             Layne Morris, Community Preservation Director
             Kelly Davis, Animal Shelter Operations Director

WHY: In response to the increasing public attendance at West Valley City Council meetings regarding the operation of the West Valley City - Taylorsville Animal Shelter, a public open house and question/answer forum has been scheduled to address residents' concerns.

             City and shelter management will be on hand to discuss suggestions and ideas that have been presented during Council meetings and to answer any questions.

             "The comment period during Council meetings is not an ideal venue for an open dialog, as it doesn't permit a two-way conversation," says city manager Wayne Pyle. "We welcome anyone interested to attend this meeting where we will be available to answer questions, address concerns and have productive discussions."

             The meeting will be open-house format with no set agenda. City and shelter management will be available to answer questions. A tour of the facility will begin at approximately 7:30 p.m.

             An information packet has been prepared responding to statements made during West Valley City Council meetings and presenting West Valley City - Taylorsville Animal Shelter euthanasia guidelines and facts:

             http://www.wvc-ut.gov/euthanasia

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